



A PSALM of Thanksgiving, to be Sung by the Children of *Christs-Hospital*, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in Easter Holy-days, (according to ancient custom) for their *Founders* and *Benefactors*, 1681.

This Chorus is to be Sung by all the Children, and repeated after every Verse.

GOD unto all is Li-be-ral: And Mortals Godlike be; who freely give, what they receive, in acts of Cha-ri-ty.

Monday.

VERSE I.

From Heav'n each good and perfect Gift, all Plenty doth descend; from an E-ter-nal Spring it flows, from Goodness without end.

Richly doth God provide for those, his Sa-cred Name who fear: Takes care for all, whilst he with show'rs of Plenty crowns the Year.

And Righteous Men, lest they un-like their gracious Master prove; disperse abroad, and i-mi-tate his great dis-fu-sive Love God, &c.

Chorus.
To free from Grief and Misery, to benefit Mankind,
A solid Pleasure doth afford, worthy a gen'rous Mind.
Not Riches, or prevailing Power, true Honour can create:

Tuesday.

The Heav'nly Orbs, and fertile Earth, are the work of God's hands;
His Bounty doth appear in all the Sea, in all the Lands:
All places cause us to admire his Might, and Heav'nly Care;
By Power and Wisdom infinite all things sustained are.
Countries remote unknown to us his wond'rous Works do show;
(Thanks to our gracious Sovereign) those Wonders we may know.

Since it is God, by whom alone steep Hills and Seas were made,
By whom the spacious Earth is held, and its Foundations laid;
Him let us worship and adore: Let us, who are his Care,
Humbly before him kneel; for we his Flock and People are.
Let us approach his Presence nigh, and joyfully express
With one consent in Psalms devout our Praise and Thankfulness:

Wednesday.

Since we this City's Charge are left, our Pray'rs to Heav'n we send,
That God would those, who us maintain, perpetually defend:
For all good Men our Pray'rs are all the good we can dispense;
May they have on our Magistrates some kindly influence.
We can't preserve our selves: In vain the Watchman leaves his sleep;
Unless the Lord do succour yield, and he the City keep.

As for those pious Men, who do relieve our sad Estate,
May they be Blest; God be to them ever Compassionate.
As ev'ry Night lays down our Head, and Morning opens our Eyes;
So shall the Dust be once our Bed, and so we hope to Rise:
To rise and see that glorious Light, where nothing bad appears,
Where ev'ry one is praising God, and *Hallelujah* hears.

A true REPORT of the great number of poor Children, and other poor People, Maintained in the several HOSPITALS, under the pious Care of the LORD MAYOR, Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of LONDON, the year last past.

Christ's Hospital.

Children put forth Apprentices, and discharged out of *Christs-Hospital*, the year last past 76. Ten whereof being Instructed in the Arts of *Arithmetic* and *Navigation*, were placed forth Apprentices to Commanders of Ships out of the *Mathematical-School*, in the said Hospital, Founded for the benefit of this Kingdom, by the Kings Most Excellent Majesty

Buried this year last past after much Charge in the time of their Sickness 269
Remaining under Cure at the Charge of the said Hospital 294

S. Bartholomew's Hospital.

Children now remaining under the Care and Charge of the said Hospital, which are kept in the House, and divers places in London, and Suburbs thereof, and at Nurse in the Country, 547; and 110 are to be received the Eleventh of this instant April, which amounts in all to 657
The Names of all which are Registered in the Books kept in the said Hospital, and are there to be seen from what Parishes they have been from time to time admitted.
They being so many in number, and the Charges of keeping them so great, (and having sustained great Losses by the late lamentable and dreadful Fire,) it is hoped several good Christians will freely contribute towards the maintenance of the said Children: The certain Revenue of the said Hospital being little more than the Moiety of the necessary Charges thereof.

Received this last year into the Hospital of *Bridewell*, Vagrants and other indigent and miserable People, many whereof had both clothing, and such other relief as their necessities required, being in great distress, and sent by Passes into their native Countries 825
Maintained in the said Hospital, and brought up in divers Arts and Trades, at the only Charge of the said Hospital, Apprentices, notwithstanding it please God, the Hospital, and all the Houses within the Precinct thereof, (which was the greater part of its Revenue) were wholly consumed by the late dreadful Fire; besides the great Loss sustained in the remains of its Revenue by the terrible fire, which since happened in *Whapping* 123

S. Thomas Hospital.

There have been Cured this year last past in the Hospital of *St. Bartholomew*, of Wounded, Sick, and Maimed Soulliers and Seamen, and other diseased Persons, from several parts of the Dominions of the Kings Most Excellent Majesty, and from Foreign Parts; many whereof have been Relieved with Monies, and other Necessaries at their departure, though (as it hath pleased God) the greatest part of the Revenues of the said Hospital was consumed by the late dreadful Fire 1578
Buried this year after much charge on them 198
Persons remaining under Cure in the said Hospital 239

The Hospital of *Beihlem* is of great necessity for the keeping and curing Distracted Persons, whose misery of all others is the more deplorable, because they do not apprehend the same: it disabling the Mind as well as the Body. Brought into the same Hospital the last year distracted Men and Women 57
Cured of their Lunacy, and discharged thence the said year 41
Distracted Persons buried the last year 14
Now remaining there under Cure, and provided with Physick, Dyet, and other Relief, at the Charge of the said Hospital 110
The Charge whereof is great, and the Revenue of the said Hospital so small, as not to amount to one half part of the yearly Expences thereof: And the Building of the Old Hospital of *Beihlem*, being Ruinous, and not capacious to receive and contain the great number of distracted Persons; for the admission of whom, daily applications are made to the Governours thereof.

S. Thomas Hospital.

There have been Cured, and Discharged, this year last past, in the Hospital of *St. Thomas* in *Southwark*, of Wounded, Sick, and Maimed Sea-men and Soulliers, and other diseased Persons, from the places adjacent, and from several parts of His Majesties Dominions, and from other Foreign Parts; many whereof have been relieved with Monies and other Necessaries at their departure, though (as it hath pleased God) not only a principal part of their Revenue was consumed in the general and dreadful Conflagration in this City, 1666, but the best of their remaining Revenue was wholly burnt down in the great and dismal Fire in *Southwark*, which happened in May, 1676, wherein also the Site of this Hospital itself was very greatly damaged, being on Fire in some parts, although through Gods wonderful Mercy, it was preserved from total destruction 1896

Upon a Christian and Charitable Consideration of the Premises, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of this City of London, did lately grant sufficient ground whereon to erect a more commodious House for the keeping and Curing the said Lunatics, and Distracted Persons: In the Building and Finishing whereof, the Governours of the said Hospital, have laid out and disbursed above Seventeen Thousand Pounds, whereby not only the whole Stock of the said Hospital is Expended, but the Governours thereof have been necessitated to take up several great Sums of Money for the Finishing the same, for which they pay Interest: And therefore the said Hospital is a very fit object of all good mens Charity, to do as God shall enable them, towards the relief of the said poor Lunatics, and payment of their great Debts; There having been, and daily are, by the Blessing of God, and the Charge of the said Hospital, and the Care of those that are intrusted therewith, divers reduced to their former Senses.

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Pray remem-



ber the Poor.